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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: CONSULTATIONS WITH GHANA AND PAN AM
RESTRICTIONS

REF: A) ACCRA 3412; B) ACCRA 3073

1. DURING MAY 30 MEETING AT DEPARTMENT WITH AMBASSADOR
BLACK AND DEPTOFFS PAN AM'S FLANIGAN AND HAMBLETON CON-
FIRMED AIRLINE'S CURRENT INTENT TO HAVE FLIGHTS 180/189,
AND 182/183 OVERFLY ACCRA AS OF JUNE 24 IF GHANA TRAFFIC
RESTRICTIONS REMAIN IN FORCE. COPY OF QUARM'S LETTER GIVEN
TO AMBASSADOR BLACK.

2. DEPARTMENT AGREES TO HOLD TALKS WITH GOG DURING NEXT
SIX MONTHS. JUNE AND JULY DATES SUGGESTED (PER REFTTEL B)
BY GOG WOULD CONFLICT WITH PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS OF USG
NEGOTIATORS AND ARE UNACCEPTABLE. WE INTEND TO PROPOSE
TIME AND VENUE FOR CONSULTATIONS IN NEAR FUTURE.

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3. EMBASSY MAY WISH TO CONVEY TO GOG CONTENTS PARA 2

ABOVE BY DELIVERING TO FONOFF NOTE ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

"....AND HAS THE HONOR TO INFORM THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN

AFFAIRS THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AGREES TO ENTER

INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA CONCERNING
A BILATERAL AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT. THE UNITED STATES
UNDERTAKES TO PROPOSE NEGOTIATIONS WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF
THE DELIVERY OF THIS NOTE AT A TIME AND PLACE TO BE
SUGGESTED. IT IS REGRETTED THAT IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE
TO MEET DURING THE WEEK OF JUNE 23, 1975, OR JULY 1, 1975,
AS THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA HAS SUGGESTED IN VIEW OF
PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS BY THE UNITED STATES OFFICIALS WHO
WOULD PARTICIPATE IN NEGOTIATIONS.

COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE."

4. FYI: OUR WILLINGNESS TO NEGOTIATE SHOULD NOT BE
INTERPRETED AS READINESS TO GRANT ROUTE RIGHTS TO GHANA.
U.S. NEGOTIATING STRATEGY WITH GHANA IS STILL BEING

DEVELOPED IN CONTEXT OF AFRICA CIVIL AIR POLICY REVIEW. KISSINGER

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